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Department of Economics

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Course Description

The goal of this course is to have students who have completed all Ph.D. degree requirements except the dissertation develop dissertation proposals, make progress towards completion, and to complete the dissertation. Class format will include student presentations and guest speakers. This course will also serve as a capstone course where, in the process of making progress on your dissertations, you will be able to integrate the material you have learned in your field and core courses.

Class Timing

This class will meet once per week for 1.5 hours during both the Fall and Spring semesters. It is expected that students will formally register for the course during one of the terms in order to satisfy the department's formal class requirement. However, it is also expected that students will attend and participate in the class during terms in residence while the dissertation is in progress.

Grading

Your grade in the course will be based on your level of participation.

Office Hours

Monday and Thursday 2:30-4:00 and by appointment. I am also available on a "walk-in" basis, although it is advisable to call in advance. I also check my e-mail regularly.

Tentative Course Outline

7 September: Introduction to Course, Dissertations, and Dissertation Research

14 September: Faculty Presentation

21 September: Faculty Presentation

28 September: Faculty Presentation

5 October: Faculty Presentation

12 October: Faculty Presentation

19 October: Faculty Presentation

26 October: Student Presentation

2 November: Student Presentation

9 November: Student Presentation

16 November: No class

23 November: No class

30 November: Student Presentation

7 December: Student Presentation